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On the evening of Jan. 29, the T. E. N. Club gives a dance in Robbins Memorial Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph B. Ellen give a pupils' recital in Associates Hall, next Monday evening.

The Boy Scouts are planning for a "Fathers and Sons Banquet" on Lincoln Day, Feb. 12.

Miss Edith Lang, who accompanied Mrs. Scully, plays at the Unitarian church in Watertown.

Mr. H. A. Phinney has been in New York and Philadelphia the past few days on important business.

The various societies connected with the Universalist church are to conduct a sale on Tuesday, February 9, in which all are to have a part.

Last week saw Arlington teams in the K. of C. League widely separated. Team One stood fifth in the list; Team Two was the tail-end.

The district committees appointed for the reunion of members of St. Agnes' parish held a meeting last Sunday evening and received instructions from the pastor, Rev. Matthew J. Flaherty.

Wednesday afternoon the French club of Arlington High met. Arthur Dallin presided. Prof. Pape of Harvard was the speaker. Plans were made for a play at an early date.

At Marycliff Academy, on the afternoon of Jan. 14, the pupils were given a rare treat in the form of a lecture by Mme. Guerin. The lecture was in French and Mme. Guerin took for her subject, "Marie Antoinette."

Arlington Boat Club team in Newton Bottle pin league, ended in sixth place in a bunch of eight, 20 won and 22 lost. At the end of last week's events, the team in Boston Pin League had climbed to second place. It leads in total pinfall and has won 27 games and lost in 17.

Thus far there have been two public announcements of candidates for offices at the March election. Max H. Meyer has announced that he will be a candidate for Selectman and Arthur J. Hendrick has announced that he will be a candidate for the office of Assessor.

At the Universalist church, next Sunday morning, the pastor will speak concerning "Universal Retribution." In the evening, at seven o'clock, the devotional meeting will be led by Miss Ruth Mitchell, the topic being, "The Ideal Christian: His Hoheity."

Some fifteen members of Ida F. Butler Rebekah Lodge, No. 152, made a visitation last Monday evening, at the close of their regular meeting, to Amity Lodge, No. 15, of North Cambridge, to witness the installation of officers by Mrs. Esther E. Bacon, D. D. G. M.

Arlington team in the Boston Pin League took a tumble from second to fourth place, on Monday evening, by surrendering all four points to the Dorchester team, on whose alleys the game was played. The totals were, Colonial 548, 532, 492, —1572; A. B. C. 473, 494, 490, —1457.

Miss Marguerite McIntosh who is the conductor of Girls High School Glee Club, was for several years a teacher in our High school. She is now located at 101 Newbury St. Boston, where she is teaching singing. She is the lyric soprano of the Ross Scottish Concert Co., of 171 Tremont street, Boston.

This morning, at 10, in the ladies' parlor, the Woman's Missionary and Social Union of the First Baptist church, Arlington, held an all day sewing meeting. Those who have not yet handed in their New Year's thank-offering are asked to make return to Mrs. Munroe as soon as convenient.

The Young Men's Class of First Baptist church is studying with great enthusiasm under Dean Wood the "Book of Revelation." New members are coming in. All young men will be welcome. Class meets each Sunday at close of the morning service in gallery of church.

The House Committee of the Standing Committee of First Baptist church has given much time and thought to the rearrangement of the electric lighting in the meeting house. The change in the main auditorium specially surprises and pleases those who see it for the first time. It is the up-to-date plan of modern lighting.

Rev. Frank L. Masack is to conduct a week of evangelistic meetings in South Acton, beginning next Monday. This is a part of the general movement of Universalist evangelism which is to be carried on throughout the state during this spring. Similar weeks of meetings are to be held in every Universalist church in the Commonwealth.

Friends have sympathized with Mr. Solon M. Bartlett in his enforced confinement to his home on Jason street. He is suffering with a fractured ankle of the right foot, which was the result of slipping on the ice three weeks ago this Saturday. The ankle is mending as fast as can be expected but it is a slow process at best.

The meeting of the Philatheas was held Monday evening in the chapel of the First Baptist church, with a good attendance considering the disagreeable night. Dean Wood gave a lecture on "Ideals of Christ in Art," illustrated with many stereopticon slides from typical pictures from the early centuries and the Renaissance and modern paintings. Piano solos were rendered by Miss Helen Patriquin and contralto solos by Miss Alta MacLaren, who was accompanied at

the piano by Miss Patriquin. Refreshments were served by a committee chaired by Mrs. William Brooks. The Philatheas voted to support two children in the mission school at Assam.

The annual meeting of the society connected with the Orthodox Cong'l church, was held Monday evening in the church vestry, Myron Taylor acting as moderator. The usual routine business was transacted and appropriations made and the following officers elected:—

Parish committee, Wm. E. Hardy (chairman), W. G. Rolfe, Chas. M. MacMillan; music committee, W. A. Muller (chairman), A. W. Wood, R. T. Hardy; clerk, R. Walter Hilliard; treas., Frederick B. Thompson; collector, Wilson D. Clark, Jr.; auditor, Myron Taylor.

Gaylord Goldsmith, the Arlington High school cross-country leader and national scholastic champion at that sport, has left his position in New York and has accepted one in Philadelphia. There he will run during the outdoor season, under the colors of the Meadowbrook A. C. "Goldie" has been out of the game for a year.

Friday evening of last week there was a large audience assembled in Robbins Memorial Town Hall, while at the "Movies," there was a crowd, the old Town Hall, now known as the Arlington Theatre, being almost inadequate to take care of its patrons. This gives us a realizing sense of how the town has grown within the past few years.

The young women in the Baptist North Association will hold a rally next Tuesday evening, Jan. 27th, in the First Baptist church of this town. A supper will be served at 6.30 by the Philatheas, at a nominal charge. After supper will come speaking by different young women in the association. The principal address, however, will be by Miss I.abel Crawford, a worker among the Indians, who will appear in Indian costume.

Regular meeting of Post 36, next Thursday evening. The surgeon, David Chensery and chaplain J. Willard Russell, were not able to attend the installation, owing to physical disability in one case and illness in the other, and will be inducted into office by a designated officer when able to attend. Chaplain Russell has been quite seriously ill, the result of a bad cold, but is now recovering.

Some 655 tickets were sold for the Belgian concert. The 75 cent tickets went quicker than the 50 cent ones, though many of the latter seats were better than the more expensive ones. Mr. Thompson, at the centre post office, painted a transparency and Mr. H. W. LeBaron hung and connected it, Mr. Mead furnishing the electric current—all free. Mr. H. L. Frost Co. generously sent a team over to Winchester for the costly instruments used by the orchestra.

The newly elected officers of St. Malachi Court, M. C. O. F., were installed on Jan. 14, in the presence of a large number of the members of the Court and visitors. The work was done by Patrick H. Shaughnessy, D. D. C. R., with John Cosgrove as marshal. Thomas F. Kenney is chief ranger. After the installation the district deputy presented Chief Ranger Kenney

and Mrs. Cadagan with gold emblems of the order, in recognition of the fine work they had done during the past six months in getting new members. During the evening Mrs. Sarah Robinson presided at the piano.

The following permits have been issued by Inspector of Buildings, Wm. E. Gratto:—

To S. Franklin Sutherland to erect two 2-family houses on lots 2 and 18 Mass. avenue, near Appleton street.

To Eric Johnson to erect a 2-family house on lot 104 Thordike street.

To Lantz Freeman to erect a 2-family house on Blossom street.

Frederick J. Alford died January 27 at his home on Willow place, after a few days' illness with pneumonia, leaving a wife and one child, who have the deep sympathy of friends. The funeral was held Wednesday, at one o'clock, from the deceased's late home, the devotional services being conducted by Rev. W. H. Van Allen, of the Church of the Advent, Boston. The interment was in charge of Charles T. Hartwell and was in Forest Hills cemetery.

Mrs. George Howland, who caters so acceptably for the school luncheon hour at Arlington High, is meeting with great success in this same department at the Lexington High school. Her Arlington friends will be interested to know that Principal Carver, of the school, telephoned Mr. Parker of this paper that the lunches were delicious, finely prepared and successfully served in all respects. This is indeed generous praise and most appreciative of Mrs. Howland's efforts.

The next meeting of the Arlington Anti-Suffrage League will be held in Associates Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 29th, at eight o'clock. The speakers are Miss Monica Foley, a Boston lawyer, who will address the meeting on "Suffrage from a Massachusetts Woman's Point of View," and Dr. Ernest Bernbaum of Harvard University, who will answer Dr. Shaw and Mrs. Livermore. This is an evening meeting for the public and it is hoped that all interested will make an effort to come.

Mrs. Stanley G. Proverbs, (born Carrietta Wells), is with her aunt Mrs. Henry Wells, of 920 Massachusetts avenue, where she is convalescing from an operation performed at Symmes Arlington Hospital some eight weeks ago for appendicitis. Mrs. Proverbs was visiting her aunt when she was taken suddenly ill. She is in hopes to be able to return to her home in New Bedford in two weeks. Mrs. Proverbs is the granddaughter of the late Wm. E. Richardson and she Wells family occupy the Richardson homestead on the corner of Mass. avenue and Highland avenue.

A largely attended smoke talk was held on Tuesday evening in the club rooms of Arlington Boat Club. The committee, chaired by Mr. H. E. Cousins, arranged a very enjoyable program, consisting of banjo, accordion and piano solos, and popular humorists, Mr. Fred T. McGrath and Mr. Jarvis Jocelyn, gave piano and banjo solos, while Mr. Walter Eccles kept the members in good spirit with his jokes and stories. Mr. Marva-

loca gave selections on the accordion and trap drum, a combination of bass drum, snare drum and cymbals. The program ended with a poem by Mr. Eccles and the singing of "America" by the audience.

Monday and Tuesday of next week "The Master Key," a new serial moving picture will open at Arlington Theatre. On Wednesday and Thursday will be seen "The Nightingale" with Ethel Barrymore, the popular actress, in the leading role. On Friday evening "The Man on the Box," will be the attraction. Keep your eye open for the coming of "Run-away June."

Mr. David Ross Beattie of 36 Addison street, returned home last Saturday, after a very delightful visit to friends in New York city, Philadelphia, Washington and Virginia. While in Virginia, Mr. Beattie visited the old historic Episcopal Theological Seminary, near Alexandria, where Bishops Phillip Brooks, Henry Potter and many other notable Episcopal ministers were educated and ordained.

The evening service at the First Baptist church on Sunday promises to be of special interest. It is the thirtieth anniversary of Dean Wood's baptism into the Christian service, which took place in the city of Chicago, and he will speak on "Thirty Years of Eternal Life." The chorus choir will sing the "Lost Chord," by Sullivan. Mr. Johnson, the organist, will play "Andante," from Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, and Rachmaninoff's Prelude.

"The Adventure of Lady Ursula," written by Anthony Hope, has been selected by the dramatic committee of the Arlington Woman's Club as the play to be presented by members of the club on the evening of March 26th, in Robbins Memorial Town Hall. The first reading of the play was given Tuesday of this week, at the home of Mrs. Clarence A. Russell, who is a member of the dramatic committee. The other members are Mrs. George N. Moody (chairman), Mesdames Graham H. Davis, Edward N. Lacey and Philip Nazro.

At the annual meeting and roll call of the Orthodox Cong. church the goodly number of 117 responded to the roll call. Dr. J. I. Peatfield was chosen treasurer at the election, an office he has efficiently filled for a number of years. The other officers are Alfred M. Bacon, clerk; standing committee, Rodney T. Hardy, Wm. K. Cook, Allan Gordon, Rev. Ralph H. Rowse; deacons serving two years, Myron Taylor, Dr. J. I. Peatfield, Frederick B. Thompson, Willard G. Rolfe. The election of Rev. Ralph H. Rowse as superintendent of the Sunday school, was ratified by the church at this time.

At 8 o'clock Friday evening, January 22, in the High School Assembly Hall, Arlington, members of the A. H. S. Debating club will meet the Cambridge High Debating club in the first interscholastic debate of the year. The question is: That members of the Cabinet should have a voice in both Houses of Congress. David Crockett, Herbert Philpott, and Leo Kelley (alternative—Arthur Dallin) will support the affirmative. The judges will be Principal Carver of Lexington, Principal Avery of Somerville, and Principal Collins of Quincy. The High school orchestra, under the direction of Miss Porter of the faculty, will play. A small admission fee will be charged.

At the meeting of the Boy Scouts on Monday evening, the members of Fox Patrol presented an original mock trial, of thrilling interest. The most dignified judge was Edward Schwamb, by whose side was seated the handsome clerk of the court William Daforth. The constable was Arthur Clare, who took the part to perfection. The typical policeman, with his nimble billy was Robert Thompson. The prisoner, a degenerate of awful reputation was Harold Clare. Theodore Schwamb and Harold Cole were most unwilling witnesses. The jury most sleepy were Malcolm Griffin and Chester Philpott. All took their parts to the delight of the rest of the Scouts.

Arlington was represented at the annual "guest night" of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Boston Canadian Club, on Tuesday evening at Hotel Somerset, Boston, by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Connolly, 70 Norfolk road, Mr. and Mrs. Wrenn McLean, 30 Fairview avenue, Mr. and Mrs. Orville L. Story of Devereaux street, the latter chairman of the committee of arrangements; also, by Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Hardy, who had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Lewis E. Stickney, of 88 Appleton street. It was a brilliant society event, marked by handsome toilettes and an attractive musical and literary program.

At the coming March election the town will return to its former method of electing the Selectmen and the members of the Joint Board. In other words, the members will be elected for terms of three, two and one year and thereafter one member of each board will be chosen each year to serve three consecutive years. We understand Messrs. Donnelly and Howard, of the Selectmen, will be candidates for re-election, but that Mr. Noyes desires to retire at this time, having been prevailed on to serve the present year through the urgency of his friends, which he may well feel flattered are so many after his long and faithful service on the Board.

The Frost Family Association of America, descendants of Nicholas Frost, who settled in Kittery, Me., in 1634; of Elder Edmund Frost of Cambridge, 1635; of George Frost of Winter Har, N. Y., and William Frost of Oyster Bay, N. Y., held its 11th annual banquet at the Hotel Bellevue, Tuesday evening, with a large attendance of members. John H. Frost of Newburyport, president of the association, was toastmaster. Addresses covering various phases of the "Frost family history" were made by J. Fred Frost of

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Patriotism.

We are drawing near to the days marked in the calendar as specially devoted to patriotic thought and teaching. In two weeks comes Lincoln's birthday, to be followed soon in the same month by Washington's birthday; then in a short interval "Patriots" day and Grant's birthday in the same month. It is common, if not almost universal, to think patriotism has its highest and truest exhibit in the military force that in the first instance secured freedom for a nation and then preserved its integrity by the same strong arm. The spectacular man of all the ages and the still most prominent among all the honored of the present time, is the military leader whose brow has been crowned with the laurel of victory. Sacrifice, service for the benefit of others, has ever been considered the highest expression of patriotism, and because this has been so dramatically shown on the field of battle where right has so often struggled with and been victorious over might, that it is almost natural that the man wearing the uniform became signally the patriot.

But there is a larger and broader patriotism that has never had a uniform or mustered under a banner. The home maker, the industrious artisan, the conscientious business man, the trainers of youth in our schools and scores of others those we have named will suggest, are teaching patriotism by their living as well as by stories of past achievement.

Because the value of patriotic instruction in the public schools has been recognized by legislative enactment and has become popular with those directly concerned, or some other reason, it has become quite the thing in some quarters to speak disparagingly of this public school propaganda, classing it as small and not up to the line of the highest patriotism. While in no way denying this claim, we do feel they are pointing out a practical path to a desired goal while good is coming from what is being done. Advances in the uplift of humanity are made by slow, often painful steps. From the lower to the higher is a slow, strenuous climb, but advances are ever being made and the inciting of childhood and youth to a proud sense of legitimate and worthy pride over possessing an inheritance from ancestors or predecessors is at least a step towards the higher good aimed at.

There is a broader, finer, higher patriotism than that which is presented in our public schools,—that announced by the Captain of the World's Salvation, lived by Him, and sealed by his death. It is embraced in one sentence uttered by Him, "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man." Towards the accomplishment of this thousands are looking with the eye of faith and doing conscientious work to help bring in the day. But until conditions are changed, that other familiar quotation of the great Apostle, "He that careth not for his own household is worse than an infidel," will control in the dealings of nations with nations. There have always been those in this land who would break down the barriers against the inflow of competing business from other countries advocated by Washington, formulated, systematized and made effective by Jefferson, and brought to highest state of effectiveness by Lincoln and his immediate successors. But these men who have advocated throwing wide open this country to any who cared to enter to its trade were governed by a motive full as selfish and far less worthy than that influencing those who have gone down into history as great men. It is not only unwise but absolutely foolish to open the gates of a lock or throw down a dam until the water on each side of the obstruction is at a common level. So it will be safe and sane for any country to throw down barriers only when conditions are near enough alike to at least make it supposable that disaster will not follow the throwing down of the same.

Foolish, footless claims of what women will be able to accomplish if they are only given the vote have gone far towards casting discredit on a large part of the agitation. It is to be regretted that even Miss Jane Addams who, it is to be presumed, would have a better sense of proportion, has been led into making many such extravagant claims. Massachusetts, a man suffrage state, has for years led the country in legislation for the protection of women and children and for the safe-guarding of public health. There are many who feel that in our restrictive legislation we have almost gone too far, and the legislators of this year are being requested by many public men

to actually hold their horses for the time being until industry can catch up with their efforts.

The annual mid-winter rally of the New England branch of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society will be held in Lorimer Hall, Tremont Temple, on Thursday, January 28. Sessions at 10.15 and 2 o'clock. Miss Isabel Crawford and Mrs. D. B. Wells, of Chicago, will be among the speakers.

New Town Government.

The 1914 Legislature passed an Act which gave to the town of Norwood in this state a new form of government. On Monday an election to fill the several offices named in the charter was held, and the nominees of the charter committee were all elected, so the new government starts without friction in its machinery. The several boards were chosen for different terms for each member and hereafter there will be one chosen annually. Under the charter, the Board of Selectmen, or any member of the same, may be recalled. The form of government under which Norwood enters on a new phase, can be briefly outlined as follows:—

The new Board of Selectmen will take the place of the Municipal Light, Water, Sewer and Park Commissions and tree wardens. It will appoint a town accountant and town clerk, the two offices being combined, also a Board of Assessors. The Selectmen will receive such compensation as the town may vote. They will elect a town manager who, under them, will have considerable authority. He can hire, discharge and fix the salary of employees of the Water, Sewer, Municipal Light and Street Departments. He will have the appointment of the chief of police and, in fact, will have the executive management of most of the town's business. However, he may be removed by the Selectmen on five days' notice, subject to a hearing, if he desires. He need not be a resident of Norwood.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—This committee through your columns desires to thank all the ladies and gentlemen who contributed in any way to the success of the concert. It has been a real pleasure to have had so many generous people helping us and our labors have been made lighter thereby.

We are under special obligation to Mr. James M. Mead and Miss Bowman for the great amount of labor they cheerfully gave in handling the tickets. There are many others we should like to mention but we fear your columns would be scarcely long enough for all their names.

As soon as all details are at hand, this committee will give a detailed report of the financial end of our work. The appreciative comments which have been heard on every hand regarding the concert are more than sufficient recompense for the work we have done.

BELGIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Christian Endeavor Rally.

Last Tuesday evening the annual mid-winter rally of the Middlesex Central Christian Endeavor Union, which is composed of the various C. E. societies from Woburn, Winchester, Medford, Arlington, Lexington, Bedford and Carlisle, was held in the Arlington Heights Baptist church. The young people started coming early, the Medford people in special cars, and the Woburn Endeavorers in auto trucks, so that by eight o'clock the church was crowded to overflowing with an enthusiastic throng of young people.

The meeting was opened by a praise service, led by Mr. Henry C. Franks of Lexington, and the saying, "Lifted the roof," could not be more fittingly applied than to the volume of song and praise by the young people. Rev. F. K. Hackett, pastor of the church, had charge of the devotional exercises. He read the first Psalm, and then offered an inspiring prayer, after which Mr. Fred M. Burroughs sang a baritone solo, which was well received. A few words of hearty welcome were then spoken by Miss Edna E. Richardson, the president of the entertaining society, which were responded to by Mr. E. K. Macfarlane, vice-president of the Union for the Woburn district.

At the roll-call all but one of the sixteen societies of the Union responded, most of them in gaily decorated floats. In the evening the Banner, which is awarded to the society having the largest percentage of members present (the distance travelled also being considered), was awarded to the Union Congregational Society of South Medford, Mr. Wallace Campbell, President, with a percentage of 100. The Woburn Baptist Society was third, with 97 percent, with Arlington Pleasant Street Congregational Society third, with 75 percent.

Mr. Wilder N. Hodgkins, the vice-president for the Arlington District, who presided, then introduced the speaker of the evening, Dr. William Shaw, general secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor. This was the signal for an outburst of applause such as few speakers ever get. Dr. Shaw's topic was "Advanced Endeavor," and who could speak more fittingly than he on this subject. The address, which we are sorry we cannot print in detail, was one that few of the hearers will soon forget. He spoke in his inspiring, enthusiastic way of what Christian Endeavor has done, of what it is doing, and of the possibilities of the work in the future that the young people can do, and urged his hearers not to only wade in a little way in their religion and in the work "for Christ and the Church," but to plunge in all over, work for all they are worth in the Master's cause, for only then can they accomplish the work that is waiting for them to do. The address gave new enthusiasm and inspiration to the young people, and there are many who received fresh encouragement to go ahead and work harder than ever for their Master.

Mr. R. W. Sawyer, president of the Progressive Christian Endeavor Union, then said a few words about the Middlesex County C. E. Convention, which is to be held in Malden, April 19th. This convention is the event of the year in Middlesex County C. E. circles, and after hearing Mr. Sawyer tell about the plans, there are few who will not try to take in at least a part of the convention.

After another song, Mr. Erle S. Bacon, president of the Union, spoke about the Chicago 1915 convention, which is the fifth World's convention and the twenty-seventh International convention, which is to be held next July, and asked those present to help in sending a delegate

from the Union to this convention. Mr. Lehard Pollock, the county superintendent of Temperance and Good Citizenship work, then spoke of the plans being made to further the work of prohibition by the Endeavorers of Middlesex county and all others who care to join in with them. The rally came to a close at ten o'clock, with a song and benediction, everyone declaring that it was the best rally the Union has had for a long time.

Bonnie Scotland, her lakes and her lochs, her kilties, a "tramorama" of Glasgow quaint and busy streets, the man-made River Clyde, coaching through the Trossachs and an all day cruise through the Caledonian Canal, will be featured in motion pictures and gloriously colored dissolving views in the Barton Holmes Travelogue for the coming Friday night and Saturday afternoon at Symphony Hall. In all the twenty-one years of traveling, Mr. Holmes has never before devoted an entire afternoon or evening to Scotland. During last summer, however, he and his motion picture expert motored through this picturesque country, and they found enough of romantic and historic interest, in unusual natural beauty and in wonderful industries, to make a dozen Travelogues.

Deaths.

CASHMAN.—In Arlington Heights, Jan. 13th, Samuel P. Cashman, aged 92 years, 2 months.

ALFORD.—In Arlington, Jan. 17th, Frederick J. Alford, aged 41 years.

TITHE.—In Lexington, Jan. 13, Marcus Tithe, 48 years.

BAYLEY.—In Lexington, Jan. 16, Vesta Capen, widow of Edwin Bayley, aged 88 years, 2 months.

SCOTT.—In Arlington, Jan. 14, Frances Scott, aged 30 years, 6 months, 15 days.

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To the heirs at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES F. ATHERTON, late of Arlington, in said County, deceased.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by William M. McGraw, late of said County, and letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to him, or some other suitable person, the executor named in said will having deceased.

It is hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of February, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any, you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Arlington Advocate, a newspaper published in Arlington, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this sixteenth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by William L. Manchester, of Taunton, to George C. Torngren, of Foxboro, dated and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 322, page 111, for breach of the conditions contained in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, it is hereby sold at public auction, upon the premises hereinafter described, on Saturday, February 20, 1915, at 12 o'clock noon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage, namely: A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Arlington in said County, bounded and described as follows: Southeasterly by Marathon street, fifty (50) feet; southeasterly by lot No. 39 as shown on said plan, fifty (50) feet; northeasterly by lot 105 as shown on said plan, one hundred (100) feet.

Said parcel being lot No. 104 as shown on a plan recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book of plans 18, plan 31. Said premises are now sold subject to mortgages aggregating \$200.00 and accrued interest thereon and subject to all municipal liens, taxes and restrictions, if any. \$100.00 will be required at the time and place of sale, balance in 10 days from date of sale.

GEORGE C. TORNGREN, Mortgagee.

For further particulars inquire of Isaac H. Greenburg, 43 Tremont St., Boston, Room 1105. 23jan15

SPECIAL NOTICE. BOARD OF SURVEY.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Joint Board of Selectmen and Board of Public Works, sitting as a Board of Survey, public convenience and necessity of the inhabitants of the Town of Arlington require that private ways, known as Amsten Street and Waldo Road, be laid out as public ways, and whereas, it is the intention of said Board of Survey to lay out as public ways said private ways it is ordered: That a public hearing be given on said intention of the Board of Survey on Monday evening, February 1, 1915, at eight o'clock in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall. Per order of the Board of Survey, By THOMAS J. ROBINSON, Clerk.

Brief News Items.

Warmest January day since official record has been kept came to this section on the 19th inst., when mercury marked 61 degrees.

A son was born to Prof. Sayre and wife, on Sunday, at the White House in Washington. The mother is the second daughter of Pres. Wilson.

A bunch of German Zeppelins raided the coast of England on Tuesday, causing death and property damage in six towns in Norfolkshire.

If we are to get anywhere in recreating an American merchant marine we must build on what we have and stick to the general theory of Government aid, not Government monopoly.

Henry F. Gleason, ex-Mayor and prominent citizen of Marlboro, died on Tuesday, aged 47 years. He succeeded his father in the hotel business in that city and carried it on until a year ago.

As the result of the attempt of the unemployed in Chicago to have a public parade on Sunday, in face of the law against and an order forbidding the parade, a riot occurred in that city on Sunday.

Cold, hunger and disease followed in the train of that terrible earthquake in Italy that laid waste wide sections and caused the death of thousands, as one paper put it "Thirty thousand wiped out in thirty seconds."

The name of Lieut. Cushing, a signal naval hero of the civil war, has his name preserved in the new U. S. cruiser launched at Quincy this week. His daughter officiated at the christening.

This week employees in Boston Custom House departments have been busy transferring effects from the building on Tremont street to the reconstructed building near the water front. The plan is to formally open the "monumental" building on Jan. 22.

A caucus of Republican members of the Legislature voted unanimously in favor of increasing economy in appropriations. They are numerous enough to command the situation and will have to stand blame for any sort of undue expenditure.

Revenue cutters of the United States saved 476 lives and gave assistance to 210 vessels valued, with their cargoes, at more than \$9,000,000 during the fiscal year which ended June 30 last, according to a report to Congress by Commandant E. P. Berthoff.

The battleship Oregon, refitted and repaired until, her officers say, she is in even better trim than when she made her cruise around the Horn, to participate in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago, sailed this week from the Puget Sound navy yard, on the first leg of her voyage to the Panama Canal, where she will lead the international fleet through the waterway next March, in celebration of its completion.

COLLECTOR'S SALE.

ARLINGTON, January 13, 1915. The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situated in the Town of Arlington, in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the assessments, duly laid by order of the Joint Board of Selectmen and Board of Public Works, on Feb. 10, 1915, on said parcels of real estate, as a proportional part of the cost of making sidewalks in the following named streets, assessed to the persons named below, according to the law, and filed in the lists committed to me, as collector of taxes for said Town, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said parcels of real estate which will be sufficient to discharge the said assessments, with the interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of such parcels of real estate, if no person or persons to take an undivided part, will severally be offered for sale by public auction in the Collector's Office, New Town Hall Building, of said town, on Tuesday, February 9, 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M., for payment of said assessments as hereinafter specified, laid upon said parcels of real estate, respectively, with the interest and all legal costs and charges thereon, unless the same shall be previously discharged.

SIDEWALK ASSESSMENT. Massachusetts Avenue.

John H. Power, Subsequent owner, Charles F. Ford, Buildings and land at 211 Massachusetts avenue, bounded northwesterly by Hobbs court, southwesterly by Massachusetts avenue, southeasterly by land of Heims of Theodore Schwann, northeasterly by a mill canal. Being the premises conveyed by said Ford to said Power by a deed dated November 8, 1912, and recorded with Middlesex (South Dist.) Regs. try of Deeds, Book 3740, page 390.

Amount of Assessment, \$51.33.

EDWARD A. BAILEY, Collector of Taxes for the Town of Arlington.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Mary A. Foster, late of Arlington, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to WILLIAM F. POWERS, Administrator, 16 Tudor street, Chelsea, Mass. January 13, 1915. 23jan15

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EAST LEXINGTON LOCALS.

Are you aware that January is on the last half?

There will be a pie social Friday evening of this week.

Many of our people enjoy auto rides these pleasant winter days.

Mrs. Pickett will preach at Follen church next Sunday morning.

There was a crowded church Sunday evening to hear Rev. Mr. Gannett.

Mr. Austin's new two-tenement house, which is being made from his barn, is progressing.

Miss Lena Cooke, formerly of Lowell, was the guest of Mr. Chas. P. Nunn over the week-end.

The Musical Club met at Mrs. Richard Tower's lovely mansion on Middle street, on Friday of last week.

Mr. Gannett said that the faces he was preaching to Sunday evening were not the same he preached to forty-three years ago.

Mrs. Lois Howland read a most interesting paper on "Unitarianism in Hungary," before the Follen Alliance, at its recent meeting.

Everyone feels a debt of gratitude to Mr. William Greene for his indefatigable labors in behalf of securing the clock, as well as his helpfulness in various ways.

The Boy Scouts of East Lexington, Troop No. 2, held their weekly meeting January 8, 1915, in Adams school. After considerable discussion on Article 1 they adopted their constitution.

Rev. Mr. Pickett preached at Concord Sunday morning and at Bedford on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Loren Macdonald preached at Follen church Sunday morning, a very excellent and instructive sermon.

One of the fine books at Christmas time was Havelock Ellis' "Impressions," in which he noted down, during his travels, interesting incidents. We are informed this edition is entirely exhausted and that no more books can be procured at present.

Our ladies of Follen Alliance responded to invitations to be present at recent Alliance meetings in Lexington, Arlington and Bedford. There were good speakers on topics of the day and thus a stronger bond binds them together in denominational work.

The new clock seems happy and contented that it is placed in so good a position in our village and is praised so much but as yet has kept straight and in voiceless words tells the people that he feels greatly honored by being placed on Dr. Follen's church.

Next Sunday morning, Rev. Harold Pickett will preach at Greenfield, Mass., and return in season to lecture before the Guild and others on "The Story of Belgium," which will be very interesting and instructive, as it is so closely connected with the war and we have done so much for the Belgians.

Our New England climate is coquettish. One day or more freezing cold, then the thermometer almost reaches the torrid mark; then pouring rain and hurricanes of wind, followed in the night by a brisk little snow storm. Next in order was an icy turn, making us tremble, even in our rubber boots, lest we go to the world below.

The Sunday evening meetings at Follen church have been well attended and there has been a varied program by different speakers. While the Follen Guild will do more work afterward, it has been very beneficial to them in opening their minds to thoughtful and religious subjects. It has been through the efforts of Rev. Mr. Pickett that this has been accomplished. The fine new church heater has done much, for the inward spirit cannot be well warmed when the outward body is shivering with the cold.

The Men's Club has a very interesting subject for its meeting to be held on Monday evening, Jan. 25. The Rev. Harold L. Pickett will talk on "The burning of the Steamer Lexington on her voyage from New York to Boston with the Rev. Chas. Follen to preach the dedication sermon of the Follen church, which was to be held on Jan. 15th, 1840." We hope that the members of the club will take an interest in this meeting. At eight o'clock the club will be open to any of the ladies wishing to hear the Rev. Mr. Pickett.

All who remembered Rev. Dr. William Gannett and his ministrations to our little flock for one year, and helpfulness in the village, were more than glad to have him stand in our pulpit again. Mr. Gannett is residing this winter at Cambridge, but is pastor emeritus of his old society at Rochester, N. Y. Mr. Gannett is a man greatly beloved and his writings are filled with a wisdom and also a sweetness and tenderness seldom found. We delighted in reading his work on "Blessed is Drudgery," also, his little poems, as well as his book describing "Snow Crystals," and many other writings. The hymns which he composed were sung Sunday evening. He spoke of the pleasant time he passed here with Follen society and narrated one or two dreams which he had about Lexington.

Mr. Charles D. Sanderson, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, has presented to the Lexington Historical Society a valuable gift. It is a picture of his great great-grand

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mother Mary (Munroe) Sanderson. The picture is copied from a photograph which was copied from a daguerotype taken at the age of 104 years and shortly before her death. The picture came in an attractive frame and will be of great interest to visitors at Munroe Tavern, where it is to be hung. We knew Grandma Sanderson from our childhood until her death and have listened with much interest to her narration of the important facts which had transpired during her long life. We only wish we had noted them down, as she had the pure Scottish blood coursing in her veins and often corrected us for not pronouncing our words in the Scottish dialect. She was a very pleasant old lady, but possessed that decision of character which mark many of the Munroes. We think the gift will be a great addition to the Munroe relics.

Theatre Notes.

"Ben-Hur" will not be presented in any other city in New England outside of Boston. At the end of the engagement it will be transferred to Chicago for a short season and then to San Francisco. The attention of theatregoers is called to the curtain arrangements at the Boston for this production. Night performances are started precisely at 7:45; matinees on Wednesday and Saturday at 2 p. m. Late-comers are not seated until the Prelude showing The Star of Bethlehem is concluded.

This is the last week of "Peg O' My Heart" at the Cort Theatre, after twenty weeks of capacity business, the show having played to \$151,408 during the first eighteen weeks of the engagement, seats are almost at a premium for this week as the scale of prices have been reduced to 25 cents to \$1.50 nights and Saturday matinee, with the Wednesday matinee 25 cents to \$1.00.

"What's Going On," a new musical farce "made in America" by American authors and with an American plot will come to the Cort Theatre Monday evening, Jan. 25th. John Cort, who owns and controls one hundred and twenty theatres and is one of the foremost American managers, will present the play. Among the principals are Walter Lawrence, France Cameron, William Buireux, Roy Atwell, Dorothy Webb, Maude Beatty, Carrie Graham Burress, P. O'Malley Jennings, and a chorus that can sing and dance. An attractive scale of prices have been arranged; evening and Saturday matinee 25 cents to \$1.50. Wednesday matinee 25 cents to \$1.00.

The end of the current week of George M. Cohan's splendid farce "Seven Keys to Baldpate" at the Tremont Theatre, will see this attraction on the eve of its fifth week in Boston. No farce has ever been better liked or has drawn larger audiences, and the roars of laughter that greet the actors and the play shows the popularity of the Cohan and Harris company in one of the best plays ever written by Mr. Cohan. "Seven Keys to Baldpate" is a capital play in many ways. It is a novelty inasmuch as it is new in idea and construction. It fairly sparkles with genius—with his upspring sense of humor and with his gift of ingenuity. It ran one year in New York and one year in Chicago, and the company now acting the play in Boston is the same that presented it in New York. This Cohan farce will not remain in Boston indefinitely, although present business indicates the possibility of a long engagement. Three weeks more at the longest, can the play remain, for another Cohan and Harris New York success has already been booked to follow it at the Tremont, and there is Philadelphia and other cities that are waiting to see the Baldpate farce re-form the close of the season, and Cohan and Harris will not send it out next year.

William Gillette, Blanche Bates, and Marie Doro are making their farewell appearances together in the brilliant revival of Sardon's "Diplomacy" at the Hollis Street Theatre. "Diplomacy" with this distinguished trio of stars constitutes one of the memorable events of the dramatic year. William Gillette, who is one of the really great actors on the American stage today, is seen to superb advantage in the role of the wily diplomat, Henri Beauchere. The creator of "Sherlock Holmes" and the brilliant author of those great American plays "Held by the Enemy" and "Secret Service" will forever occupy a niche in the gallery of theatrical celebrities. The opportunity to see Gillette in his latest successful portraiture should not be missed by all lovers of fine acting. Blanche Bates who is unquestionably one of the most accomplished actresses of the present day, has won fresh laurels by her consummate portrayal of the Countess Zieka. Her expression of wounded love and vindictive hatred will long be remembered for its passionate power and touching sincerity. Marie Doro who has duplicated her London triumphs in "Diplomacy" by her success on this side of the water, never looked more radiantly beautiful and never acted with greater tenderness and power. Her portrayal of the heroine "Dora" enchants the eye and touches the heart of every spectator. The final performance is positively scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 30 and seats are now selling for all remaining performances of "Diplomacy."

That the Plymouth Theatre, Boston, will continue to offer its patrons the very best in theatricals is evidenced in the announcement that on next Monday, "Too Many Cooks," a comedy that kept Yorkers laughing for one solid year, will begin a limited engagement. The production is offered by William A. Brady, Ltd., and needless to say is given an elaborate setting and surrounded by unusual clever company headed by Frank Craven, who is the author of this novel play and appears in his original character. The others in the cast are notable stage favorites that comprise the original company that presented the play in New York. "Too Many Cooks" is a comedy of life and is the brightest, truest and most deliciously human comedy that has been produced in a decade. The story of the play is written around Albert Bennett and his fiancée, Alice Cook. The cooks in the play refer to the latter's family. Albert has started building a modest little six room house on a sum of money he has judiciously saved. Alice has invited her relatives to come out and have a look at the foundations. When they come, however, Albert is amazed to discover twelve of them, not counting brother Louis's twins, and that most of them were unpromising relatives and that each one had something to suggest as to an improvement for the house or a proper change in Albert's way of doing things. It is this that starts things going that nearly upsets all his well laid plans. In the end, however, all is happily adjusted. The usual Thursday and Saturday matinees will be given and the regular scale of Plymouth Theatre prices.

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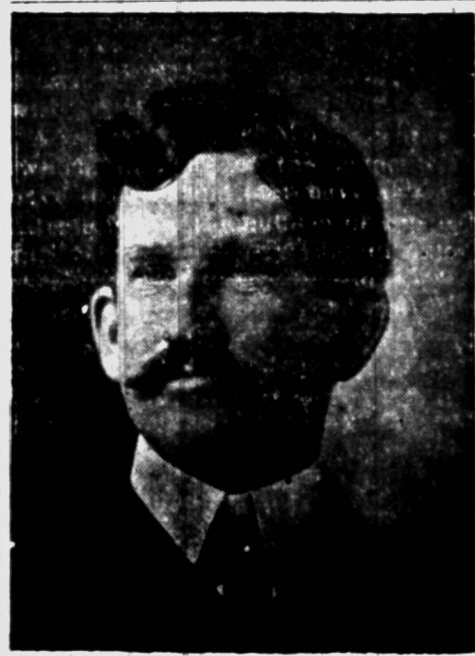
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—The Sunshine Club will meet Jan. 27 with Mrs. D. E. Perley, at her home, 35 Florence avenue.

—Mr. Cyrus L. Doe, of the Orpheus Quartet, lives in a beautiful home on Linden street, Arlington Heights.

—The Friday Social Club will hold its social this (Friday) evening, in Park Avenue Cong'l church. It is a stereopticon lecture.

—The younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Kehew, of 81 Hillside avenue, is reported as having been seriously ill with pneumonia.

—Mr. H. M. Boylston, a soloist at the Belgian concert, is the president of the Civic League at the Heights and resides on Claremont avenue.

—Thursday evening of this week Company H of the Boys' Brigade held a prize drill in the Methodist church, the report of which will be given in this column next week.

—George Currier and Wendell Keycroft are members of the Dartmouth Hockey team. Currier is playing point and Keycroft one of the forwards. The team has played Harvard and Princeton recently.

—William Power, Jr., who met with an accident to one of his wrists while skating on the ice, Jan. 10, was able to return to work on Monday. This is the second serious accident that Power has figured in and has been attended at Symmes Hospital within less than a year.

—Mrs. Nixon Waterman has been at the winter home of the family at Orange Park, Florida, all winter, but Mr. Waterman has remained north to attend to some literary work. He is staying in Boston in the Beacon Hill neighborhood. Mr. Waterman expects to join Mrs. Waterman towards the close of the winter season.

—The Nichols Class will hold a social at Park Avenue Congregational church on Friday evening, the twenty-ninth. Prof. Markham of Harvard will talk on "Iron and Steel." The members invite their men friends to hear the talk and join in the discussion. Light refreshments will be served as usual.

—Mr. C. A. Palmer, of 57 Wollaston avenue, is attending the annual directors' meeting of the Eastern Clay Goods Co., of which he is the treasurer and general manager, at Akron, Ohio. He reports the largest sewer pipe sales for 1914 in New England of any previous year. This does not look like very hard times.

—Friday, Jan. 29 is the Fourth Methodist Concert Club of Boston will give an entertainment in the Methodist church, under auspices of the Epworth League. The club sings plantation melodies and has been giving this concert in many towns and cities about Boston. Adult ticket twenty-five cents; children, fifteen cents. Concert is at eight o'clock.

—Mrs. True Worth White addressed the members of the Nichols class and lady guests, Sunday at the noon hour, in Park Avenue Cong'l church. She took for her subject, "Women in Industry," and gave a most interesting resume, so to speak, as to the important place women have taken in the industrial pursuits during the past fifty years, and how, through her association with such industries, conditions had been improved. In closing she gave an ideal picture of the life of her grandmother in her busy household, where churning and spinning were the routine of daily life and how, little by little, these industries had been taken out of the home and were now carried on through broader channels, which had brought about different conditions. These changes were



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—The meeting of the Lock School Association, Tuesday evening, Jan. 19, was well attended. The main feature of the programme was an address on "Medical Work in the Schools," by the school physician, Dr. Pratt. Mrs. Stephen G. Bean sang a pleasing solo, "The First Violet." Masters Farnham and Percy Harding played a violin and piano duet, and Miss Priscilla Crockett gave a well rendered piano solo. After the program a social hour was enjoyed.

—A dancing party was held on Thursday evening of last week, in Crescent Hall, Arlington Heights, under the auspices of Vernon A. C. There were guests from surrounding towns and cities. Many feature dances were shown. Michael J. Caniff was floor director; Win. J. Sweetney, assistant floor director; Louis Mead, chief of aids; Charles McCarthy, Charles M. Caniff, James Judkins, Clarence Hill, James King, J. Louis Kelley, Francis O'Connell, Louis Bailey and James Caniff, aids.

—Miss Eleanor Bisbee is reported as gaining each day from her recent breakdown, which has necessitated her relinquishing her course at Jackson College for the present. Miss Bisbee is a young woman of more than usual mental caliber and her services have been called upon in many directions where keenness of intellect was required and she has given freely of her time and energy. Her many friends will be glad to welcome her back in her accustomed places when she is fully restored to health.

—Last Saturday afternoon an entertainment, consisting of story-reading and the showing of 150 sacred and humorous Xmas pictures on the radiophone, was given for the children of the Baptist church, in the vestry. Asst. Supt. J. Woodman Hovey was in charge of the program. During the intermission, candy, kindly donated by Mr. T. H. Kraus, the popular Heights druggist, was distributed to the children.

Mrs. B. D. Williams and Mrs. J. Woodman Hovey were the matrons of the occasion and looked after the comfort of the little ones. This is the third entertainment given for the children in the last two months by the Sunday school, which are now a regular feature of the school work.

—The Summit Club had "a night off" on Wednesday. First there was a dinner at one of the well known hotels of Boston and then went to the Tremont Theatre to see "Seven Keys to Baldpate." The club, which is made up for the most part of ladies whose homes are in the vicinity of West street, meet each week. They come with their needle and thimble to devote the time in sewing for the hostess of the afternoon, which is a unique way of lending a hand. There is no end of enjoyment to be gotten out of these weekly gatherings, as well as making them an afternoon of profit. The members of the club are Meadames Edward Batty, Wm. H. Hiasdale, Edward Crockett, James Dow, Frank A. Berry, Wm. M. Lloyd, Damon B. Stevens, Clarence Gale and Miss Alice Kendall.

—Samuel P. Cashman died Jan. 13th, in his ninety-third year, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Georgia P. Jacobs, where he has resided for a long period of years. The deceased was born at Strong, Me., Nov. 18th, 1822. He was a man of wonderful vitality and up to the time of his death retained the use of nearly all his faculties and enjoyed life in its simple forms. He was especially interested in gardening, in the summer devoting himself to such work in and about his daughter's home at 130 Park avenue. The funeral was held Jan. 15th, from the late home of the deceased, the devotional service being conducted by Rev. J. G. Taylor, of the Park Avenue Cong'l church, where Mrs. Jacobs has, in former years, been an active worker. The burial was on Saturday at Strong, Me., the body being conveyed to its last resting place by Mrs. Jacobs and her only son, patrolman Edward C. Jacobs, of Arlington police force.

—The funeral of Frances P., wife of Mr. R. H. Scott, was held Sunday at one o'clock, from the home of the deceased's husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Scott, of 77 Hillside avenue, where the latter family has resided about four years. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Taylor, of Park Avenue Cong'l church. The funeral was largely attended by out of town relatives and friends, for the young woman, who was only twenty-nine years of age, had been popular among her friends where she had resided, the two latter places being Somerville and Reading, the latter place being where she passed away, at the Reading Sanatorium, having been a victim of tuberculosis. She was of an attractive personality and had been married but six years, and her untimely death has saddened the hearts of hosts of friends, who helped to soften the sorrow of the bereft husband and other relatives by the quantities of floral tributes. The interment was in Sleepy Hollow, at Concord. Besides the husband, the deceased leaves two brothers, one a resident of Whitman and the other of Randolph.

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For the Children

A Wee Girl's Idea of a Valentine For Papa.



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It was a bright idea that came into the head of the sweet little girl in the picture when she made herself into a valentine and presented herself to her papa on St. Valentine's day. Perhaps she doesn't deserve all the credit herself, for mamma helped a whole lot. After considerable study of the best way to surprise papa the little girl's mother suggested that she be the valentine herself. So a large sheet of stiff white paper was secured and a big heart cut out. Then a hole in the middle was made to admit the head of the valentine girl, and there she was with a bright smile when papa came home.

A Lincoln's Birthday Party.

Here are some suggestions for a party to be given on Lincoln's birthday:

"The guests are to be asked to come in the garb of 1860, for which old fashion plates and histories of the period afford many designs. Extreme simplicity must be the keynote of all the preparations. Have a plain cloth, candles in brass or pewter holders and the dinner served in three courses, only the guests doing their own passing, the host carving and the hostess pouring the coffee.

"For the centerpiece make a log cabin and surround it with a rail fence. Toy trees may be purchased to plant in the yard. The place cards may be held by little black china dolls dressed in turkey red or blue checked gingham pinafores. Each card should bear the name of the guest, the date and the quotation, 'With malice toward none, with charity for all.' Cross the glorious stars and stripes over the table above the gas jet and give each guest a little silk flag for buttonhole or hair. (They come on wires especially for the hair.) Over the tablecloth lay chains made from black paper, kindergarten method, a break in the links every so often significant of slavery's broken shackles."

About St. Valentine.

There is nothing in St. Valentine's life, so far as known, to give a clue to the origin of the custom. He was one of the Christian martyrs put to death in the reign of the Roman Emperor Claudius, about the year 270. Probably he would not have approved of some of the customs which have since been connected with his name. In fact, he had nothing to do with them. They originated centuries before he was born. His connection with them was merely accidental, growing out of the fact that the day assigned to him in the calendar of the saints (Feb. 14) was the "eve" for the day before the day anciently devoted to these customs. Then, as Christianity became the prevailing religion, St. Valentine's name gradually came to be connected with them, and at the same time they were transferred from the 15th to the 14th of February.

The Disappearing Paper.

Affix to a dark wall a round piece of paper an inch or two in diameter, and a little lower, at the distance of two feet on each side, make two marks. Then place yourself directly opposite to the paper and hold the end of your finger before your face in such a manner that when the right eye is open it shall conceal the mark on the left and when the left eye is open it shall conceal the mark on the right. If you then look with both eyes to the end of your finger the paper, which is not at all concealed by it from either of your eyes, will nevertheless disappear.

A Reasoning Cat.

The domestics of a certain family during a week or ten days when snow lay on the ground were in the habit of throwing breadcrumbs out on it for the birds to eat. The cat of the family used to sit close by while the birds were eating the crumbs, watching her chance to pounce on one of them. That was simple enough, but after the snow had disappeared the cat actually spread crumbs around herself for the purpose of luring the birds within her reach and always with success.

A Valentine.

"I want to write a valentine," said Ned, with eyes of brown.
"Papa says I must choose the fairest lady in all the town."
And tell the color of her hair.
The color of her eyes.
And say, 'I love you,' and my name must be a grand surprise."

This is the valentine Ned sent, which mother really wrote.
Making the words fit into rhyme
And performing the note.
"You are the nicest lady fair
Of any that I know.
Your blue eyes twinkle just like stars,
Your hair is white as snow."

"I love you best of any one,
Oh, dearest grandma mine!
And may your little boy please be
Your loving valentine!"
He didn't sign his name at all,
And kept it secret well.
So how did grandma guess at once—
Can anybody tell?

PICTURES OF BATTLES.

Warfare Has Always Been a Popular Subject For Artists.

From the earliest days of history war has given inspiration to the artist, and the work of his hands comes down to us on the walls of ancient Egypt, worn with the passing of thousands of years; from the ruined temples of antique Greece, built centuries before the Christian era. The picture writing of primitive and savage peoples describes exploits of war; many archaic war pictures, brought to view after ages of burial under desert sands, bear much similarity to Indian drawings of our own near time and land.

Once, years ago, away up on the Poplar river, in Montana, I bought, for a few cents, a picture of a battle, as the purchase was made mainly by the medium of tea, tobacco and sugar—a "painted" robe right off the back of the war chief of a band of Yanktonais. Sioux our troops had "rounded up" and brought into the agency. The skin was a fine "black bull," tanned on the underside to the softness of the finest chamois leather and decorated with naive pictorial representations of the deeds of war of old Kill Them In a Hole as the soldiers translated the name given the chief from some episode in his murderous career—which in color, in grace and firmness of line were curiously like pictures from the pencil of some artist of the Egypt of old.

The glory of war is the theme; the exaltation of the sovereign, the conqueror, forms the chief motive of the war picture of antiquity. The monarch was the hero before whose terrible sword all foes gave way, to whom victory came through his personal might and prowess. The warriors of the Greeks are shown as models of virile strength and grace; their attitudes in the fury of combat lost nothing of artistic beauty in the realism of the rendering. The influence of the Greek masters of their art is evident in battle pictures of a true two-score and more centuries later—Rufus Fairchild Zogbaum in Scribner's.

MEDIEVAL PUNISHMENTS.

Queer Old Laws of England That Have Never Been Revoked.

Although the stocks, like the pillory and the ducking stool, have been done away with, a lot of punishments survive in England which are every bit as medieval.

The most ludicrous of these exist in the two services, the army and navy—which were renowned in the past for the cruelties practiced in them in the name of justice. "Keelhauling" as carried out in the navy used, of course, to amount to execution by drowning, while in the army "running the gauntlet" was a popular way of punishing troublesome soldiers.

Here is another queer punishment which never has been removed from the statute book. If you are motorizing or driving in England beware lest you run over anybody, for if you do so and cause his death your motorcar or carriage can be confiscated. Even a falling tree that caused the death of a human being can be taken from its owner. The strangest punishment which still survives under modern law in England is that of "outlawry." Only a few years ago—in 1906 to be exact—a lawyer charged with forging a check was "outlawed" in the Glasgow high court. By this sentence the person of the accused is declared forfeit. He cannot bear testimony in a court nor sue nor defend an action. He cannot act as a jury nor vote at an election nor act as tutor or guardian to another person. If any one robs him he has no redress. If any one kills him it seems rather doubtful if that person can be hanged. Pearson's Weekly.

One of New York's Tiny Streets.

New York has some queer streets, and Edgar street is one of them. It has been built up solidly on both sides from end to end for generations, but it has no numbers, and no one lives on it, and no one does business there. The letter carrier never stops. It has only one door, and that is kept locked and never used. Fifteen long steps take one along the sidewalk from one end to the other. Queer little thoroughfare is Edgar street, lying between Broadway and the Hudson, below Rector street, in oldest old New York. New York World.

The Question Box.

What kind of glue should I use to make a yardstick? A. B. C.

Please tell me how to tighten a hickory nut.—F. M. F.

Why is it I cannot get any music from a handbox?—Mrs. I. G.

Can you tell me why it is that a fire breaks out at the start and goes out at the finish?—Helen M.

How can I sharpen a nutmeg grater?—Mrs. S.—Wisconsin State Journal.

Terrorized.

Binks—Why, where's the breakfast? Mrs. Binks—Hush, dear! The cook ate it. Binks—What? Ate it? Mrs. Binks—Yes, dear. We mustn't say anything. I think cook is just the sort of woman who would go round and say we starved our help. Cleveland Plain Dealer

"Crabbed Age and Youth."

"Now, Thomas," said the teacher, "can you explain the adage, 'Old men for council and young men for war?'"
"It means," replied Thomas, "that the old men do the quarrelling and then let the young men do the fighting."—London Pica.

A Pirate's Brutal Remark.

Captain Kidd buried his treasure.
"If I were Mrs. Kidd I would hide it in the top bureau drawer," he asserted. New York Sun.

SHADOW PICTURES.

The Silhouette as the Origin of All Pictorial Art.

In the year 1759, when Etienne de Silhouette was minister of finance under Louis XV., a man whose name has not been preserved started in Paris an exhibition that he called Chinese shadows. This consisted in throwing upon a sheet the black outlines of men or objects and making these shadows take part in a play. It so happened that at this time Silhouette was unpopular. He had spent many years in England and had returned to his native country greatly impressed with English methods of public economy. Undertaking to apply these principles to French finances, he met with decided disapproval by the Parisians. But little thanks did he get except to have his efforts branded as parsimonious.

Some one recalled that M. de Silhouette had written a book, "A General Idea For the Government of the Chinese," in which he exploited his economical theories. The popularity of the Chinese shadows was responsible for the joke that Silhouette had issued the book as an advance notice for the show; hence the shadows were called silhouettes, and the name was naturally extended to portraits that were then coming into vogue, in which were presented only the outlines of faces and figures filled in with black.

Though the fashion and the name of the silhouette are of comparatively recent origin, the art itself is ancient. It was used by Etruscan potters eight centuries before Christ, and a classic legend, which has been illustrated by Benjamin West in a famous picture called "The Origin of Painting," claimed that all pictorial art originated in an attempt to paint the fleeting shadows of men and women as they fell upon a wall or a blank space.—Detroit Free Press.

DAY OF THE QUILL PEN.

When Writing Paper Was Poor and Envelopes Were Unknown.

The constant mending required by quill pens must have proved a severe trial in the days when no others were available, says the London Chronicle. Alexander I. of Russia thought it necessary to employ a man whose sole duty consisted in cutting pens. He was required to have a supply of not less than 100 quills always ready.

This number was by no means excessive, for Alexander would never use the same pen twice. Even the writing of a signature spoiled a pen, in his opinion, for subsequent use. The quill cutter, who received a salary of £340 a year, accompanied the czar on all his journeys, including campaigns against Napoleon.

Writing implements changed considerably for the better during Sir Walter Gilbey's long spell of life. "Though quill pens are still in use," he remarks in his "Recollections of Seventy Years," "I remember the time when one seldom saw any other kind. Steel pens in their early days were expensive and ill made, and few people used them. The paper we had seventy years ago may have been partly to blame. It had neither the substance nor the surface we take as a matter of course nowadays."

"I remember when envelopes came into use, and what a boon they were considered after the old system of closing letters with wafers or wax. Before envelopes were invented letters were always written with an eye to the position of the wafer or seal, a blank space being left to correspond with the space where this would be put on the outside, lest the written portion should be torn in opening."—New York Sun.

Pins.

It seemed as if it would take a whole paper of pins to mend the torn dress. The wearer appealed to her car neighbor.

"Have you any pins?" she asked.
The woman had none, but passed the query on, and in a little while every passenger was feeling along concealed edges and turning back lapels. In all, sixteen pins were produced. Fourteen were contributed by men.

"We never need them as much as the women, but somehow we carry them and the women don't," said one of the male passengers.—New York Post.

Curious Legend.

At Painswick churchyard, a pretty spot between Stroud and Gloucester, England, there are ninety-nine yew trees. The hundredth always dies, though it has been planted many times. A local story says that "when the hundredth lives after it has been planted the world will end."

Sitting a Pen.

The center slit in a pen is cut by a machine which seems almost to think. It consists of two chisels which barely pass each other when the slit is made, and the exact way in which the pen is poised so as to place the chisels in the proper position for cutting is one of the marvels of penmaking.

Shifting the Blame.

"Have you anything to say before I pass sentence?"

"Yes, your honor. I would call your attention to the fact that the fool lawyer who defended me was assigned to the case by yourself."—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Suggestion.

"He's his own worst enemy."
"Then he ought to apologize to himself and start all over again."—Detroit Free Press.

If thou art terrible to many then be aware of many.—Ausonius.

MYSTERY NOISES.

Of Unknown Origin, They Sound Like Muffled Thunder.

COMMON IN THE OLD WORLD.

These Curious Boomings, That Puzzle Science, Heard at Times From Australia to Ireland, Are Akin to the "Moodus Noises" of Connecticut.

It is a hot and tranquil summer afternoon on the Belgian coast in time of peace. Strolling along the shore you are startled by a muffled detonation that seems to come from somewhere far out at sea. Can it be thunder? There is not a cloud in the sky, and you remember that thunder is rarely audible at a greater distance than fifteen miles. A man-of-war at target practice, perhaps—far in the offing. At this point your Belgian friend explains. It was the "mistpoeffer," he says, and a sign that the weather will continue fair.

But what is the mistpoeffer? If you can answer that question you can also explain the mysterious Bansal guns of India (Bansal is the name of a town in the Ganges delta), which have puzzled scientific men for half a century. You can explain also the strange rumblings that in certain parts of Italy seem to come from nowhere in particular and are known to the peasantry under forty or more local names, the desert sound of the Australian wilderness, the water guns of Lough Neagh in Ireland and the aerial detonations that occasionally startle Californians during the warm season.

For example, in September, 1896, to quote the Santa Rosa Republican, "a tremendous explosion, presumably in the air, occurred near Cazadero. It was heard by the dwellers of the mountain region over an area of 900 square miles."

All noises of this kind resembling thunder, but not traceable to that or any other known agency, are now generally called in scientific literature brontidi, a name first used by Professor Tito Aliphi, who has made a special study of these phenomena in Italy.

The "Moodus noises," familiar to old residents of Moodus and East Hadam, Conn., are probably kindred phenomena, although they seem to be somewhat more definitely associated with subterranean earth shocks than are typical brontidi, and the same may be said of the gouffre of Haiti, which, at least in some cases—is easily recognized as of subterranean origin.

Although systematic investigations of brontidi are of recent date, occurrences of the phenomena have been recorded from early times. Lord Bacon mentions "an extraordinary noise in the sky when there is no thunder," and similar sounds were known to Humboldt and Boussingault. Captain Sturt, a pioneer explorer of Australia, wrote in 1829:

"About 3 p. m. of Feb. 7 (during the Australian summer) Mr. Hume and I were occupied tracing the chart upon the ground. The day had been remarkably fine. There was not a cloud in the heavens nor a breath of air to be felt. On a sudden we heard what seemed to be the report of a gun fired at the distance of between five and six miles. It was not the hollow sound of an earthly explosion or the sharp crackling noise of falling timber, but in every way resembled the discharge of a heavy piece of ordnance."

"No one was certain whence the sound proceeded. Both Mr. Hume and myself thought it came from the north-west. I sent one of the men up a tree, but he could observe nothing unusual. The country round him appeared equally flat on all sides and thickly wooded. Whatever occasioned the report, it made a strong impression on all of us, and to this day such a sound in such a situation is a matter of mystery to me."

Science has not fully solved the mystery of brontidi, but it can hardly be doubted that the origin of these sounds is really subterranean. From a focus far underground the jar of settling rocks sends vibrations to the surface—not at one spot, but over a wide area. Then if the overlying air is calm and homogeneous it also is set in vibration, and if the vibrations are of the right period to be audible the result is a booming sound of altogether indefinite location. It is simply "in the air."—Youth's Companion.

French Officers Made Thrifty.

The French army officer has to be a thrifty man to make ends meet on his salary of a very few francs a day, and borrowing or running into debt is an offense against military law. An officer convicted of debt is suspended by the war office for three years, and at the end of that time his reinstatement or dismissal from the service is decided by a kind of court martial, comprising five officers of his corps, one of them of his own rank.

Antiquity of Tin.

We find that brass, and consequently tin, existed in Tyre, the great seaport town of the Phoenicians, on the coast of Syria, about 1000 B. C. They are frequently referred to in all works relating to tin or to Cornwall. The Phoenicians were merchants and carried on an important trade from the ports of Tyre and Sidon. These cities rivaled each other in magnitude, fame and antiquity.

What I want to try to do is to judge my fellow human being as kindly as I do my dog.—Gerald Stanley Lee.

AERIAL TRAIL BREAKING.

Amazing Speed and Endurance of the Wild Swan in Flight.

It is impossible for one who has seen only the common mute swans floating about in the artificial lakes of city parks to imagine the grandeur of a flock of the great whistlers in their wild state. In "Wild Life and the Camera" Mr. A. R. Dugmore says the sight is one of the most impressive in nature. As the huge birds rise into the air it seems as if an aerial regatta were being sailed overhead, the swans, each with a wing spread of six or seven feet, moving like yachts under full sail.

Once the swans are fairly under way their speed is amazing, nearly a hundred miles an hour, and that, too, with no apparent effort, for the slow wing motion is very deceiving. Their endurance is as surprising as their speed, for they are said to travel a thousand miles without alighting.

The flocks are usually led by an old and experienced swan, and it is said that as one becomes tired of leading, or it might be called aerial trail breaking, his place is taken by another whose strength is equal to the task, and so they continue until they reach their destination, the southern feeding grounds of the winter or the northern breeding places of the summer. Occasionally they stop to rest in the region of the great lakes. Not many years ago, while on their way north, a large number stopped above Niagara falls, and more than a hundred were by some extraordinary mischance carried over the falls and killed in the surging waters.

Whether the swans prepare in any special way for their southward journey is not known, but before starting north they indulge in the curious habit known as "ballasting"—that is to say, they eat great quantities of sand, for what purpose no one knows.

In the faraway Arctic ocean is their breeding place, and it is believed that they mate for life. As with so many of the water birds, the swans protect their eggs with a covering of down scratched from their own breasts, so that when the birds leave the nest the two to six large, yellowish eggs are hidden from the eyes of possible thieves and protected against any sudden changes of temperature.

It is many years before the swans are clothed in the feathers of immaculate whiteness that make them such conspicuous objects of beauty. Not indeed, until the fifth year does all trace of gray disappear. Their first feathers are entirely gray. Gradually they lighten, becoming mottled with white, the neck and head remaining gray until after the body is completely white.

What Shell Fire Is Like.

I have read many attempts to describe shell fire in a battle, but not one to equal the easy description of this young officer, who does not pretend to be a stylist. Listen:

"You hear a boom miles away, hardly audible in the distance. Then a faint sigh, gradually rising to a scream as the shell whizzes toward you. Then a flash, an immense crash and the air is filled with thousands of bullets and jagged lumps of iron, each making a different sort of shrieking noise. Then phit-phit-phit everywhere as they hit the ground."

"This is shrapnel."—London Sketch.

A Regular Gadder.

A lady bought some furniture at an auction sale in Glasgow the other day. On paying the porter she remarked: "Had I known how dirty that furniture was I would not have bought it." "Well, ma'am," replied the porter, "it was the dirtiest house I ever saw; but, there, whit cud ye expect—the mistrees was only 'at home' every Tuesday. Ah ken it for a fact, 'cause I read it on a card I put in that drawer there."—Glasgow News.

The Sick Man of the East.

The phrase "the sick man of the east" originated in a speech of Czar Nicholas to the British charge d'affaires at St. Petersburg at the time of the Crimean war. He said: "We have on our hands a sick man, a very sick man. It would be a great misfortune if one of these days he should slip away from us before the necessary arrangements have been made."—Argonaut.

Perfect Happiness.

Grubbs—What is your idea of perfect happiness? Stubbs—Well, if my wife would stop telling me what she thinks of me, and I had the privilege of telling my respected employer what I think of him it would seem about right.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Man and the Machine.

"How many votes did you get?" "Not nearly as many as the other fellow." "Not nearly as many as always philosophical." "You see, I had to depend entirely on my own efforts for my votes. His was machine made."—Washington Star.

Consistent.

Brown—Why is your daughter going to talk against the permanence of a republic in that college debate? Smith—Because she thought the advocacy of a republic would not go well with her new empire gown.—Brooklyn Citizen.

Perfectly Proper.

"I am afraid this company is doing business on an inflated capital." "Yes, but then it deals in automobile tires."—Baltimore American.

Take care that no one hates you justly.—Syria.

Good form

When Remembrance Fails.

A weakness which many of us share is that of forgetting faces of people we have met, or of being unable to fit the right name to the right face when the need comes suddenly. It is a happy gift to be able to recall both names and faces, and he who has it is exceptionally fortunate. Few things flatter a person more than being remembered. We forgive the frank person who says: "Your face is familiar, but I can't just place you," because we have all been in the same predicament ourselves, even if we have not admitted it; yet do feel complimented more to be called by our names.

There are people we meet whom we feel we ought to know, but we cannot remember their names. What can we do? It is a dreadful moment. Mustering up all the courage we can, it is best to proceed as if we did know. Nine times out of ten, if we talk long enough we shall get a clue and the name will follow. In such cases we hope our uncertainty may not be suspected. Fortunately we seldom learn if it really has been.

The Wedding Cake.

The old time custom of hiding a thimble, a penny and a ring in the wedding cake is still followed. After the cake is baked, but before the icing is added, slits are cut in it. In one a plain gold ring is placed, in another a tiny gold thimble and in the third a piece of silver money, a dime being the usual selection. Then the thick icing with its elaborate decorations covers the whole. In slicing the cake the bride cuts clear through from top to bottom. If she is wise she will slip the knife a little to one side when it touches one of the little articles so the whole slice can be placed upon a plate without showing its precious secret.

Tradition has it that the maid who gets the ring is to be the next to wed, she that draws the thimble is doomed to spinsterhood, while she to whom the piece of money falls is to revel in wealth all her days.

The wedding cake is usually a big fruit cake, but often a fine white cake is preferred. It should be made and baked by an expert.

To Make a Cardcase.

The pretty embroidered cardcases one sees so much now can easily be fashioned by the girl who is clever with her needle. One seen recently was made of huckaback linen, and the center was decorated with a wreath of tiny French roses. The huckaback outside this wreath was darned by running a colored silk thread underneath the cast up threads of the linen. This darning extended to within an eighth of an inch of the edge and was then covered with a single outline stitch. The pockets were folded up neatly and the edge finished with a picot buttonhole stitch. The little center wreath was done in Dresden shades, and the darning was carried out in beige to match the owner's calling costume.

For Afternoon Weddings.

An afternoon wedding calls for the simple serving of ices, cakes and bonbons, with punches and perhaps sandwiches of various sorts. The time, usually between 4 and 5 o'clock, intervenes between luncheon and dinner hours, and so heavy substantial foods are not needed. Neither is a large table usually required. Guests are served standing, or many small tables are conveniently placed where plates with sandwiches may be in readiness or where they can be set down when the two hands are occupied holding a dish of ice cream in one and a plate with cake in the other.

The Thank You Note.

After a week end spent with a friend send your hostess just as nice a note as you can write. Mention what a good time you had, how much you enjoyed it all and say thank you for all the kindness extended to you. This "bread and butter" or "thank you" note back to your hostess should be the first duty of every guest on the return home.

The Favor of a Reply.

The meaning of "R. S. V. P." is in English, "The favor of a reply is requested, if you please;" the French is "Repondez, s'il vous plait." It is used to remind us that hostesses wish an answer to their invitations.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES.

First	Cotton
Second	Paper
Third	Leather
Fourth	Fruit and flowers
Fifth	Wooden
Sixth	Sugar
Seventh	Woolen
Eighth	India rubber
Ninth	Willow
Tenth	Tin
Eleventh	Steel
Twelfth	Linen
Thirteenth	Lace
Fourteenth	Ivory
Fifteenth	Crystal
Sixteenth	China
Seventeenth	Silver
Eighteenth	Pearl
Nineteenth	Ruby
Twentieth	Golden
Twenty-first	Diamond

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He Prepares a Beverage to Tone Up the Family

By M. QUAD.

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"What is in that package you sent home this afternoon?" asked Mrs. Bowser after dinner the other evening. "I suppose it's another fad of some sort."

"Fad, fad!" demanded Mr. Bowser. "When did you ever know of my running after fads?"

"A hundred times. I'll wager it's something for your liver or kidneys or lungs—something you bought of an Indian doctor on the street."

"Mrs. Bowser," said he after a turn about the room, "you are probably aware of the fact that it is now the winter season?"

"Yes."

"And that with the cold weather, heavy food, overheated rooms, etc., the human system requires toning up?"

"And you have something to tone?"

"I have. I have a feeling of lassitude. So have you. If allowed to run any length of time bilious fever would be the result—bilious fever and perhaps death. The impending calamity must be averted. It can easily be



POURED IN FOUR PAILS OF WATER

done, and in this package is the means to do it. In three days we will feel like new human beings. I am going to prepare a family tonic."

"But I don't want any of it," she firmly replied.

"Then you needn't take any. If you want to look like a walking saffron bag by the time the first birds come I have no objections. As for me, I propose to take care of myself. I have here a lot of roots which I bought direct from a farmer. Roots make root beer, Mrs. Bowser, and root beer is the greatest tonic on earth. Every doctor—"

"But what do you know about roots?" interrupted Mrs. Bowser. "Roots, roots! You just show me a root I can't tell you the name of! I may not be much of a farmer, but when it comes down to roots I'm right on deck with any of 'em. That's what we want, Mrs. Bowser; a barrel of root beer—creamy, fizzy, delicious winter and spring tonic. That's what made Methuselah live to be 874 years old, and that's what'll keep us dancing from morn till night."

"I can't make it, and I know you can't, and I wish you'd give it up. There's a risk of being poisoned."

"But I can make root beer, and if you are afraid of it don't touch it," he vigorously replied. "I need a tonic and propose to have it. As this is the cook's night out I'll slip into the kitchen and begin operations. Have we a large kettle around?"

"I presume so," she said, as she looked over the contents of the package. "You seem to have several sorts of roots here."

"Certainly. Root beer can't be made of one root, can it?"

"I don't think I ever saw any roots like these before. That looks like the root of a Canada thistle, and this one—"

"Mrs. Bowser, I am running this root beer business," he interrupted, as he stood her aside. "I get the roots, make the beer and take all the chances of being poisoned. If you have any more sarcasm go out and talk to the lamp post!"

It was a fixed idea in Mr. Bowser's mind that root beer was made from roots, but he wasn't quite sure of the next step. After getting down to the kitchen and thinking it over for awhile he decided that the roots ought to be boiled, and he at once felt happier for it. There was a big kettle under the sink, which the cook used occasionally on scrub days, and that was the very thing for the roots. He went to work to clean it out, and after laboring for five minutes he decided that what little rust was left wouldn't do any harm. In fact, it would probably give the beer the right sort of twang and help it to slip down the easier. He dumped the roots into the tub and soiled them with cold water, but was careful not to get them too clean. When all was ready he put them into the kettle, poured in four pails of water and started up the fire. The winter tonic was at last under way. He wanted to ask Mrs. Bowser how long it ought to boil, but as she had taken up

a book and seemed to have no interest in his proceedings, he determined to go it alone. After half an hour, however, and just as his stew had begun to boil, she came into the kitchen to ask:

"What are you going to put into the beer to make it work?"

"How work?"

"Why, it's got to ferment or it won't have any life in it. I believe they use yeast, but we haven't got any."

He suddenly remembered to have heard about yeast in connection with root beer; but, vexed at his own stupidity, he wouldn't give in.

"People who want yeast in their root beer can have it," he said as he stirred up the fire anew. "I am making a root beer to please myself."

He had a dim idea that an hour's boiling ought to extract all the virtue from the roots; but, not being sure of it, he kept the fire going for two, and every time the mess in the kettle thickened up he poured in more water. At length he decided that the stuff was ready to ladle into the tub to cool, but the work wasn't half finished when Mr. Bowser made up his mind that it wasn't fit for a pig to drink. He wasn't going to admit it to Mrs. Bowser, however, and he was sitting around and wondering how he could get out of it without loss of prestige when she reappeared and asked:

"Is the beer all right?"

"How could it be otherwise?" he replied.

"Well, I'm glad of it. I think you really need a tonic. When are you going to begin drinking it?"

"Right off, now," he said as he rose up and got a cup and walked to the tub.

The first swallow of the stuff almost lifted Mr. Bowser off the ground, but he knew that Mrs. Bowser was closely watching him, and he made no sign. The second made his hair curl; but, bracing his feet and trying hard to look pleased, he exclaimed:

"Ah! That goes right to the spot. That's the genuine stuff I've been aching for."

"Good, is it?" queried Mrs. Bowser.

"Next thing to nectar. I've tasted forty different kinds of root beer, but this—"

"What is it?" she asked as he humped himself up like a calf in a snow storm and bulged out his eyes.

"But this beats 'em all," he finished with a great effort and sat down beside her. "In the morning I'll barrel it up and have my own nectar on tap."

Mr. Bowser lied about that. He meant to upset the tub and spill every drop before he went to bed and lay it on the cats, but he didn't propose to go back on his own root beer with Mrs. Bowser watching him. Then a sudden spasm seized him, and he grew white and groaned:

"Say, I believe I've been poisoned by that infernal stuff!"

"No. Why, you said it was nectar!"

"Nectar be hanged. I'm doubling up with pains in my stomach! Gee whiz! What shall I do?"

"Mr. Bowser, root beer never hurts anybody," she said, with her hand on his back. "Didn't you fall from a tree?"

"Fall? Tree? Woman, am I a fool? I tell you I'm a dead man! I must have steeped up some poisonous roots. Great Scott!"

Mrs. Bowser got him into the sitting room and on the lounge. A mustard plaster was laid across him, the camphor bottle was held to his nose, and she rubbed his feet and hands alternately and dosed him with castor oil. She insisted that he must have had a sunstroke, or had been hit by an automobile, and twice she offered to go out and bring him a quart of nectar if he felt thirsty. He simply groaned in reply and now and then fetched a shiver which made his toes crack. It was midnight before the pain disappeared and he fell asleep, and Mrs. Bowser roused him up and got him to bed. Next morning he seemed to be all right, and as they sat down to breakfast she foolishly said:

"When I went out to look at your root beer I found four dead cats lying around. Don't you think you made some mistake somewhere?"

"I do, madam," he promptly replied.

"You were opposed to my making it. You wanted to see me fall. When my back was turned you threw arsenic or strychnine or something into the kettle, and I just escaped death. This is the limit, Mrs. Bowser—the deadline. I will telephone to my lawyer to come over and arrange things, and tomorrow you can start for your mother's—for your mother's on the afternoon train!"

Just Grew Up.

"Nice children you have. Which is this?"

"The seventh."

"He seems the healthiest looking one of the lot."

"Yes. By the time he came along his mother had run out of theories."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Bob Stuff.

Society Daddy—My son, it is the dearest wish of my heart to see you divorced and settled down before I die.

Society Son—But, dad, I could hardly do that on my income, with alimony as high as it is now.—Puck.

Manly Homeliness.

"The doctor maintains that his wife can't see a joke."

"Then, to judge by the doctor, she must be blind."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Warning.

When she leeth thee recklessly spend, And laugheth to see thee go broke, Thou mayest jolly her on without end, For she taketh thee but as a joke.

But when she demureth at price, And chideeth for what thou hast spent, Thou art treading on treacherous ice, For the maiden hath solemn intent.

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Centipedes have nowhere a good reputation. Some of those in the tropics are terrible creatures indeed. The giant centipede of Trinidad and Venezuela is sometimes a foot long and can do very serious harm. Its foremost pair of feet are modified into supplementary jaws, which are funglike and may inflict a powerful bite. Furthermore, each has a poison gland at its base that sends into the wound a venom deadly to small creatures and very painful even to mankind.

Moreover, the sharp claw of each of the forty-one feet is poisonous like-wise, so that when the animal crawls over the soft skin of the human arm it leaves a trail of red, inflamed spots. It is dangerous to knock the centipede off, for instantly the creature drives the claws more deeply into the flesh and sends a greater amount of venom into each puncture. It may also take hold with its jaws.

When the centipede seizes its prey or is itself caught by an enemy it coils itself around its antagonist and grips it tenaciously with all its legs. It is therefore a very unlucky object to tackle. In this connection it is interesting to note that many myriapods are brightly banded with black and yellow, contrasting tints that show conspicuously against the dark soil of the forests where they abound. The giant centipede is a shining mahogany brown, with the legs bluish and ringed with yellow.

A singular fact about centipedes (which, in spite of the name, rarely have 100 feet and may have as few as fifteen) is that the number of legs is invariably odd and may vary in number even in specimens that belong to the same species. All are carnivorous. The smaller kinds feed on worms and grubs, the larger on any living prey they can overcome. They are therefore, of service in destroying many noxious insects. Captive specimens are exceedingly cleanly in their habits and go through elaborate toilets, brushing their legs one by one and the sides of the body with their jaw feet, which are furnished with a mat of hairs adapted to this purpose.—Youth's Companion.

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A Neutrality Scheme That Worked Out Another Way.

"You knew we had a French maid and a German butler?"

"Yes."

"Well, we've been worried over them ever since the war broke out. We took the greatest pains to set them an example of neutrality. We were afraid all the time that it would be impossible to keep them from dying at each other. Of course we were careful not to discuss the war before them. In short, we've been taking a whole lot of trouble for months to help them keep the peace. I can't begin to tell you how careful we were. And what do you suppose happened yesterday?"

"Why, a pitched battle."

"Nothing of the sort. It seems the two were engaged long before the war broke out, and yesterday they were married."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Modest Gelfer. I'm sure that golf's a modest game. I've never heard a golfer tell Or ever publicly proclaim That he could play it very well.

I've never met a man with sticks Who didn't want to pester me By telling how he got a "hair" When he was almost sure of "three." —Detroit Free Press.

Speechless. Blondine—Hear about Gerty Giddi-gad? Brunetta—What about her? "Knocked speechless by a street car."

"But I just passed her a few moments ago and she spoke to me."

"I know; but she was on her way to a meeting to make an address, and when the car hit her she lost her manuscript."—Youngstown Telegram.

Fool Stuff. A love sick young man from the Thames Proposed to a maiden named Ehamas. "Oh, light of my life,"

Said he, "be my wife, And I'll buy you rich clothes and rare ghaimes!" —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Keeping Her at Home. Wife—Don't you think you might manage to keep house alone for a week while I go on a visit?

Husband—I guess so. Yes, of course.

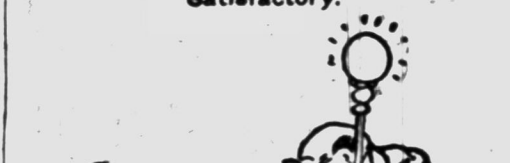
"But won't you be lonely and miserable?"

"Not a bit."

"Huh! Then I won't go."—New York Weekly.

Such an Appetite. A hungry young man in Key West Was eating beef stew with a zest. He ate without stopping Till with a loud popping The buttons all flew from his vest! The buttons all flew from his vest! —Washington Herald.

Satisfactory.



Judge—Thirty days!

Prisoner—Oh, please, don't send me to jail, your honor.

Judge—Well, then I'll make it \$30.

How's that?

Prisoner—Fine.—Philadelphia Press.

Tempus Fugit!

I placed my watch on a table.

'Twas wound to run till dawn.

Next morning when I looked for it—

Wasn't going? Nay; 'twas gone! —Judge.

Round the Links. First Amateur Golfer—What are you going around in now?

Second Amateur Golfer—Oh, in five or six.

"Five or six? Holes?"

"No. Lost balls."—Life.

Fatal Shock. Poor Wetherby died in a nervous fit.

He was wound to run till dawn.

They built him a house and finished it inside of the first estimate.

—Peoria Journal.

Intense Love. "Do you really love Emmeline?" asked his best friend.

"Love her?" responded the man with the limp. "Why, I've carved her name on my cork leg."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Too Much Rest. We say it is the "day of rest."

I'm speaking now of Sunday.

But why do we feel so distressed

And so blame tired on Monday? —Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Official Publication. Knicker—What happens when you have a fight with your wife?

Barker—I have to get out a white or yellow or pink checkbook to prove I didn't start the war.—New York Sun.

The Deadly Change. Little beams of moonshine.

Little hugs and kisses

Make a little maiden

Change her name to Mrs.

—Yale Record.

Sometimes. "Pop, about a war horse?"

"Well, my son?"

"Is a war horse a horse on combat?"

—Baltimore American.

